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Classified by Ambassador van Voorst, reasons 1.4 b. and d.

(C) Ambassador spoke March 31 to Political Director Gretta Gunnarsdottir, the most senior MFA official available, who will inform the Minister of the reftel demarche. Gunnarsdottir regretted Greece's rejection of Negotiator Nimetz's proposal and appreciated hearing U.S. views on the way forward at Bucharest later this week. She will get back to us with a response ASAP.

van Voorst